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BIG SKY GRADUATE RECOMMENDED FOR FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIP

MISSOULA--

Kathryn Courtney, a senior majoring in music at The University of Montana-Missoula, has been recommended for a Fulbright scholarship, a prestigious grant to be used for academic study abroad and for professional training in the creative and performing arts.

Courtney, a 1992 graduate of Big Sky High School in **Missoula**, is the daughter of Don and Anita Courtney of **Bozeman**.

The purpose of Fulbright scholarships is to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and other countries through the exchange of persons, knowledge and skills. Courtney hopes to study in Austria. The U.S. Fulbright screening committee recommended her for the award, but the grant isn't final until the Fulbright committee in the host country gives approval.

Fulbright grants are funded under the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, through an annual appropriation made by Congress to the U.S. Information Agency, and by foreign governments, universities, corporations and private donors. The grants are available for study and research.

The J. Williams Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board, composed of 12 educational and public leaders appointed by the U.S. president, establishes criteria for the selection of candidates and has final authority for awarding grants.

Full grants provide round-trip international travel, maintenance for the tenure of the award, a

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research allowance and, if applicable, tuition waivers. All applicants are required to have sufficient proficiency in the language of the host country to carry out their proposed study or research. In addition, applicants must be U.S. citizens and hold a bachelor's degree or its equivalent by the beginning of the grant.

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